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Subject:

Docket Number 2018-358-WS

Dear Ms. Katrina Melton,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Letter of Protest/Comments to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. Your Letter of Protest/Comments will be placed in the Protest File of the Docket listed below and on the Commission's Website at www.psc.sc.gov.

• <u>Docket No. 2018-358-WS</u> - Verified Application of Carolina Water Service, Incorporated for Approval of Annual Rate Adjustment Mechanisms and Petition for an Accounting Order to Defer Expenses

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If we may be of further assistance to you, please do not he sitate to contact us.

Sincerely,
Becky Latimer
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Date: *6-7-2019

Letter of Protest in Docket 2018-358-WS

Protestant Information:

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State*SC

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Phone

Email

What is your connection or interest in this case? * For example, are you a customer
of the Company that is the subject of this pending proceeding? (This section <u>must</u> be
completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

I have lived in Lake Wylie since 2003. The water prices were bad then with Carolina Water. We just had an increase in the last year I believe. The situation has become worse since Blue Granite took over. An across the board water processing/waste water treatment charge is not fair as some households use much more water then others. My household only has one adult and one child and our water bill is almost \$100 a month or more. We do not have an irrigation system.

The water service is mediocre at best. Bethel fields almost directly across the street is on city water. A friend with a four person household Only pays about \$35-45 a month in water. I am a widow with a special needs child on a fixed income. It seems a little ridiculous that my water bill is almost the same as my electric bill for a 2500 square foot house. The company is making a huge profit but not providing adequate customer service and continue to put restrictions on water usage. Something needs to change. We can't continue to carry the shortfalls of blue granite regarding water11 supply and demand on our backs through our bills and constant water price increases as they try and figure out what to do. It's completely apparent that they can not handle the supply and demand issues and are passing down the financial burdens on to current customers.

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2. Please give a concise statement of your protest. * (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)